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## PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Mail Stop RCE Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

Applicants hereby petition the Commissioner for an extension of time pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136 to file a response to the February 7, 2005, communication in the above-referenced Application for three (3) months from April 7, 2005, to July 7, 2005. One or more checks including the fee of \$1,020.00 as payment of the response-extension surcharge is/are enclosed.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

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Respectfully submitted,

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It is hereby requested that this communication and the accompanying documents be assigned a filing date of July 6, 2005.

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